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MEMORANDUM FOR: Executive Assistant to the
Director of Training

SUBJECT : Weekly Activities Report

1. Chief and Deputy Chief, Language School attended an Interagency Language Roundtable meeting on 20 March at the Defense Language Institute (DLI). The main feature of the meeting was the showing of a film "Language for Peace" that highlighted the DLI operation. The film was made for television viewing on "The Big Picture" program, a continuing program on military life. "Language for Peace" is an "Emmy Award" nominee as an outstanding documentary film. It is an excellent presentation of language learning in the military and an outstanding piece of photographic work. In discussions following the film presentation, it became apparent that all Agencies involved in language training are concerned about budget cuts. [REDACTED] Office 25X1A9a of Education stated that the Title Six funds which provide educational fellowships, educational study and research grants, and training centers is being cut back to the point where many of their projects for FY 1970 must be abandoned, and in FY 1972 there will be no project Title Six funds at all. Reports were given by the various Agency representatives but little of significance at this time was reported. The matter of appropriate language training films was raised by the NSA representative and in the ensuing discussion it became apparent that everyone has the same problem as we, access to appropriate language training films or video-tape. The Center for Applied Linguistics agreed to coordinate a listing of appropriate film and tape currently available. We were again asked to comment on our use of cassettes in the language training. This has created great interest within the language training community with many getting on our bandwagon. 25X1A

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with the program at the School on 25 March. He was interested in the work we are doing in our language laboratory and our cassette project. I believe that both of these sessions went far in developing a more healthy relationship with FSI and a better understanding by them of our students and our students' needs.

3. In about a week we plan to institute a program of providing our full-time students with take home cassette tape recorder/players for self study of language tapes. The students will present blank cassettes to the lab technician on one day and receive a recorded lesson or lessons the following day. Each student will be issued four blank cassettes which will be used over and over again during the training program. This program is the culmination of a series of experiments conducted with our language students who used take home portable recorders and found them of great benefit.

4. Personnel Notes

Three of our personnel were hospitalized this week for diverse reasons--
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are doing well.

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5. Language School Statistics

Students and Classes as 27 March 1970:

<u>Students</u>	<u>Classes</u>
Full-time - 87	Full-time - 34
Part-time - 141 (25 BAHLT) (58 Hqs.)	Part-time - 55 (6 BAHLT) (12 Hqs.)

Laboratory hours for the week of 16 - 20 March 1970:

Language School - 472 hours
Headquarters - 113 hours

Twenty-six language proficiency tests were administered during the week of 16 - 20 March 1970.



Chief, Language School

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